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59-51 2748 Control: Action Rec'd OCTOBER 3, 1962 EUR 6:21 P.M. FROM: PARIS Info TO: Secretary of State RELEASE SS (X) DECLASSIFY in PART POLTO 393, OCTOBER 3, SR () Nort-responsive info. G SP . OADF PRIORITY SS YETZZAJIO (L () DOWNGRADE TS to () S or () C, OADR н ACTION DEPARTMENT POLTO 393. INFORMATION ATHENS POLTO 21, SR LONDON POLTO 65, ROME POLTO 34, COPENHAGEN POLTO 11, ARA FE BONN POLTO 51. OSLO POLTO 5. MOSCOW POLTO 5. ALL OTHER NEA NATO CAPITALS POLTO UNNUMBERED. E MC REFERENCE: TOPOL 457 AIDA US PERMREP INFORMED NAC OF MEASURES US WILL TAKE NEXT IOP WEEK REGARDING SHIPPING TO CUBA (NUMBERED POINTS ONE THROUGH INR FOUR REFTEL). POINTED OUT STATEMENTS TO COUNCIL AGR

SEPTEMBER 5 AND 19 HAD STRESSED GREAT SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH USG AND AMERICAN PEOPLE VIEWED CUBAN PROBLEM IN GENERAL AND FREE WORLD SHIPPING TO CUBA IN PARTICULAR. SAID PROPOSED ACTIONS REFLECT GOVERNMENT'S AND PEOPLE'S VIEWS OF GRAVITY OF SHIPPING PROBLEM AND THAT IT WOULD BE CLEAR FROM THESE ACTIONS US INTENDS MAKE SOVIET BUILD-UP CUBA DIFFICULT AS POSSIBLE. US PERWREP POINTED OUT WE HAVE DEMONSTRATED OVER COURSE LAST SIX MONTHS AND PARTICULARLY DURING LAST MONTH THAT WE WISH TAKE INTO ACCOUNT ALLIES VIEWS ON CUBA. RE PROBLEM OF SHIPPING TO CUBA WE CONSIDER POSITIVE STEPS NOW REQUIRED. SAID SECRETARY NOW DISCUSSING THESE PLANNED MEASURES WITH OAS FOREIGN MINISTERS WASHINGTON.

US PERMREP SAID US RECOGNIZES THESE MEASURES MAY CAUSE SOME PROBLEMS FOR SHIPPING COMPANIES IN CERTAIN NATO COUNTRIES, BUT THAT US HOPES NATO GOVERNMENTS WILL BE ABLE PERSUADE COMPANIES MAKE NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS. SAID RE SECOND OF PROPOSED MEASURES US WILL TAKE ACCOUNT

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EXISTING CHARTERS AND THAT THERE WILL BE SOME "PHASING IN" ON OTHER POINTS.

PERMREPS TOOK CLOSE NOTES WHILE PERMREP SPOKE BUT RESPONSE TO US STATEMENT OF COURSE QUITE LIMITED, DANISH AND GREEK PERMREPS TOOK THIS OCCASION REPORT THEIR GOVERNMENTS HAD DESCRIBED TO THEIR SHIP OWNERS CONSEQUENCES OF ENGAGING CUBAN TRADE.

ONLY NORWAY SPOKE DIRECTLY TO US STATEMENT. NORWEGIAN PERMREP SAID STATEMENT AS HE HAD UNDERSTOOD IT INDICATED US DEFINITELY INTENDED TAKE MEASURES DESCRIBED, AND ASKED WHETHER THEIR ADOPTION WAS NOT STILL CONTINGENT ON DISCUSSION WITH OTHERS, INCLUDING DISCUSSIONS SECRETARY WAS HAVING WITH OAS MEMBERS.

US PERMREP REPLIED US DEFINITELY INTENDS TAKE THE MEASURES DESCRIBED.

NORWEGIAN PERMREP THEN REFERRED TO THAT PART OF US STATEMENT RECOGNIZING THESE MEASURES MAY CAUSE SOME PROBLEMS FOR SHIPOWNERS IN CERTAIN NATO COUNTRIES. SAID PROBLEM WAS NOT ONLY ONE FOR SHIPOWNERS BUT ALSO FOR GOVERNMENTS. SAID THESE WERE GRAVE MEASURES WHICH WOULD AFFECT WORLD-WIDE SHIPPING PATTERNS. CONSEQUENTLY NORWAY WOULD HAVE TO RESERVE POSITION THESE QUESTIONS.

AFTER MEETING USRO CIRCULATED US PERMREP'S STATEMENT TO OTHER DELEGATES.

REFTEL DOES NOT SHOW EMBASSY OSLO AS ADDRESSEE. IF REFTEL NOT ALREADY SENT OSLO SUGGEST IT BE REPEATED SOONEST.

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